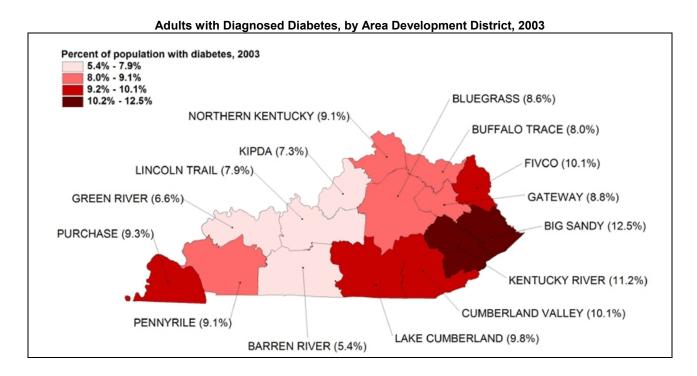
# Diabetes in the Big Sandy Area Development District

## **DIABETES IS COMMON**

#### Prevalence

The prevalence of diagnosed diabetes among adults in the Big Sandy Area Development District (ADD) was 12.5% in 2003. For comparison, the Kentucky statewide prevalence was 8.5% in 2003.



#### At Risk for Diabetes

Obesity and lack of physical activity are risk factors for developing diabetes

### Reported Risk Factors among Adults, 2003

Risk Factor	Big Sandy	Kentucky	US
No leisure physical activity in the past month	37.9%	30.6%	23.1%
Obese (based on reported height and weight)	35.4%	25.6%	22.8%

#### **DIABETES IS SERIOUS**

## Mortality

Diabetes was the 6<sup>th</sup> leading cause of death in Kentucky in 2002, and the 5<sup>th</sup> leading cause of death by disease. Big Sandy ranked 1<sup>st</sup> among the 15 ADDs for the highest rate of mortality due to diabetes.

**Diabetes Mortality** 

	2000		2001		2002	
	Number of Deaths	Rate*	Number of Deaths	Rate*	Number of Deaths	Rate*
Big Sandy	49	32.5	54	34.6	65	43.2
Kentucky Total	1,054	26.5	1,048	25.9	1,257	31.0

\*Age-adjusted rate per 100,000

## End-Stage Renal Disease (ESRD)

Diabetes is the leading cause of ESRD in Kentucky as well as the nation. At the close of 2004, Kentucky had 1,519 diabetes-related ESRD patients, accounting for 41% of all ESRD patients in the state. Big Sandy had 76 diabetes-related ESRD patients, accounting for 48% of all ESRD patients in that ADD.

#### Hospitalizations

 Hospitalizations are coded with one primary diagnosis and up to nine secondary diagnoses. Diabetes and its related complications can be coded as either primary or secondary.

**Diabetes-Related Hospitalizations (Primary or Secondary Diagnosis)** 

	Kentucky		Big Sandy		
	Number of hospitalizations	Percent*	Number of hospitalizations	Percent*	
2000	79,307	15.7%	5,421	19.2%	
2001	91,088	16.2%	5,484	19.3%	
2002	96,320	16.5%	5,798	19.8%	

\*percent of total hospitalizations in ADD or State

Diabetes-Related Lower Extremity Amputations (Primary or Secondary Diagnosis)

	Kentucky		Big Sandy		
	Number of hospitalizations	Percent*	Number of hospitalizations	Percent*	
2000	1,141	1.4%	63	1.2%	
2001	1,197	1.3%	49	.89%	
2002	1,180	1.2%	56	.97%	

\*percent of total hospitalizations in ADD or State

#### **DIABETES IS CONTROLLABLE**

Reported Preventive Care Practices Among Adults with Diabetes, Kentucky 2000-2003

Preventive Care Practice	Big Sandy	Kentucky	US 2003
Saw a health professional for diabetes ≥ 1 time in the past year	93%	94%	90%
Ever taken a course or class in how to manage diabetes	35%	45%	51%
Checked blood glucose ≥ 1 time per day	61%	60%	57%
Received a dilated eye exam in the past year	56%	71%	68%
Ever told by a doctor that diabetes has affected your eyes or that you had retinopathy	35%	27%	22%
Received a foot exam ≥ 1 time in the past year	65%	63%	69%
Checked feet for sores at least once per month	93%	90%	87%
Had a foot sore that lasted more than 4 weeks	17%	13%	13%
Received a flu vaccination in last year*	39%	54%	56%
Ever received a pneumonia vaccine*	26%	43%	48%
Had A1C checked ≥ 1 time in the past year	71%	70%	76%
"Don't Know" or "Never Heard of A1C"	18%	21%	14%

\*Question not included in 2000 survey and reflects a three-year average Note: Respondents from unknown counties were excluded.



